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Department of Social Welfare

Directorate of Women and Child Development

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Whereas the Government of Goa has decided to constitute a Children's Court for the State of Goa in pursuance of provisions contained in sub-section (1) of the Goa Children's Act, 2003 (Goa Act 18 of 2003) (hereinafter called the "said Act").

And whereas in terms of section 28 of the said Act, the Children's Court shall consist of its President and a Jury of at least 3 persons; and whereas sub-sections (2) and (3) of Section 29 of the said Act inter alia provides that the salary or honorarium and other allowances payable to and the other terms and conditions of service of the Jury members of the Children's Court and the qualifications and terms of office and other conditions regarding the Jury members shall be prescribed by the Government by framing rules under the said Act.

And whereas the Government of Goa has not yet framed the rules providing for aforesaid;

Now, therefore, pending the framing of rules in this regard, the Government of Goa is pleased to lay down the following qualifications, terms of office, honorarium and other conditions regarding the Jury members:-

1. A person to be selected as member of the Jury shall fulfill the following conditions, namely:

- (a) he should be of minimum 30 years of age; and
- (b) He should be a resident of Goa since last 15 years; and

(c) He should be a respectable and well educated citizen with the experience in the fields of child welfare or child psychology or child education.

2. A member of Jury appointed following office memorandum, this shall hold office for a period of one year or till the formal Jury is appointed after framing the rules providing for the matters specified in sub-sections (2) and (3) of section 29 of the said Act, whichever is earlier.

3. The member of Jury shall be entitled for an honorarium of Rs. 300/- per sitting.

4. The functions of the Jury shall include the following:-

- i) To satisfy themselves that the provisions of Section 32 of the said Act is being followed;
- ii) To aid and guide the President;
- iii) To serve as a link between the child and the Government and the Child and other Agencies; and
- iv) To represent the collective voice of the people of Goa.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

H. D. Mashelkar, Director, Women & Child Development and Ex-officio Joint Secretary.

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